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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)

Grant Recipient: Anchorage Park Foundation

Project Title: Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

Anchorage Park Foundation - Oceanview Park Safety Upgrades

State Funding Requested: \$160,000 House District: Anchorage Areawide (11-27)

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Neighborhood Park Safety Upgrades

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost: \$200,000
Funding Already Secured: (\$40,000)
FY2014 State Funding Request: (\$160,000)
Project Deficit: \$0

Funding Details:

If funding from the AK Legislature is secured for this project, the Anchorage Park Foundation plans to commit \$40,000 of Rasmuson Foundation funding to this neighborhood park.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Anchorage Parks Report Card offers a comprehensive review of the condition of Anchorage neighborhood parks by reflecting community opinions and ideas. In the Fall of 2011, Anchorage community volunteers evaluated 51 neighborhood parks based on five criteria: cleanliness; safety; structure; appearance; and function. We will use this information to strategically employ resources, both financial and volunteer, to better meet the needs of our community.

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In the summer of 2014, the Anchorage Park Foundation and Parks & Recreation Department plan to complete improvements in Oceanview Park with the help of community volunteers and with the input of a neighborhood park committee. We invite the Alaska State Legislature to join us in investing in the future of Oceanview Park and the Oceanview community. The Anchorage Park Foundation will match legislative investment in neighborhood park fix-its with volunteer involvement and generous support from the Rasmuson Foundation's Anchorage Parks Initiative.

Fix It List Priorities:

- Repair asphalt in tennis courts and replace nets
- Review drainage in play area and repair as needed
- Repair slide, swings and rope climbing toy in play area

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- Remove dead trees and post informational signs concerning the effects of stripping bark off of birch trees
- Add seating, clean grill and replace vandalized tables
- Remove graffiti on play equipment and picnic area
- Review number of trash cans and add more as needed
- Work with community to address vandalism problems
- Work with Traffic Department to reduce road speed

Project Timeline:

Summer 2014

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Municipality of Anchorage

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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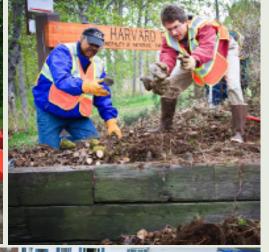
















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Oceanview Neighborhood Park Safety Upgrades

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Foundation partners with
the Parks & Recreation
Department to promote
Healthy Parks and Healthy
People in the Anchorage
community. Together,
we revitalize the safety,
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of Anchorage parks and
the neighborhoods that
surround them.

The Anchorage Park Foundation mobilizes public support and financial resources for Anchorage parks, trails, and recreation opportunities. Do you have a vision for parks, trails, open spaces and recreation in Anchorage? Consider the Anchorage Park Foundation your opportunity to fund community projects through public-private partnerships.

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Park Report Card Grade: B-

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Oceanview Park Safety Upgrades

Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget	Cost
Tennis Court Asphalt Repair	\$40,000
Drainage Review and Repair	\$30,000
Play Area Surface and Repair	\$90,000
Dead Tree Removal	\$10,000
Graffiti Cleanup	\$5,000
Additional Seating	\$20,000
Bearproof Trash Cans	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$200,000
2013 Request	
State Funding Request	\$160,000
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Project Deficit*	\$40,000
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Old Seward/Ocean View Community Council P.O. Box 110606 Anchorage, AK 99511-0606

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To Whom it May Concern,

The Ocean View/Old Seward Community Council is requesting the Legislature's support of the Anchorage Park Foundation's 2013 legislative requests for park improvements at Ocean View Park and Stephenson Park. Parks are a vital part of any community and the Ocean View/Old Seward Community take great pride in our parks.

There are a number of large issues at Ocean View Park. Some of them are safety issues; such as, broken equipment and uneven/cracked tennis court surface. This park is a vital part of our community and is used by all age groups for a number of activities. It is the only park in the Old Seward/Ocean View area which provides covered picnic tables and grills. Ocean View Park is used during all seasons. Ocean View Park is in dire need of improvements and repairs so that it is safe and enjoyable for all our community members.

Stephenson Park is a lovely park. It is, however, devoid of play equipment. Stephenson Park is located in an area with a number of families. It is the only park that is suitable for play equipment in the immediate area. Otherwise, families have to cross the Old Seward to access our area parks that are equipped with playground equipment. Currently, the only amenities located at the park are a few picnic tables which are in very poor shape. With your support of the Anchorage Park Foundations legislative requests Ocean View Park and Stephenson Park will again be safe and enjoyable parks. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ocean View/Old Seward Community Council